

REMARKS

This Request for Reconsideration is submitted supplementary to the previous Request for Reconsideration and in response to the Advisory Action from the Examiner.

In the Office Action the Examiner indicated that claims 5, 7-10, 17 and 18 were allowed.

At the same time, claims 1-4, 6, 11, 13-16 were rejected by the Examiner.

The Examiner's indication of the allowance of claims 5, 7-10, 17 and 18 has been gratefully acknowledged. In connection with this, these claims have been retained as they were.

In view of the Examiner's rejection of the claims, claim 1, the broadest claim on file, was canceled without prejudice.

The rejected dependent claims 2, 3, 4, 6, 11, 13, 14, 16, as well as independent claim 15 have been amended to depend on claim 10 which is allowed by the Examiner.

It is respectfully submitted that since these claims depend on claim 10, which contains the allowable features, these claims should also be considered as being in allowable condition.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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